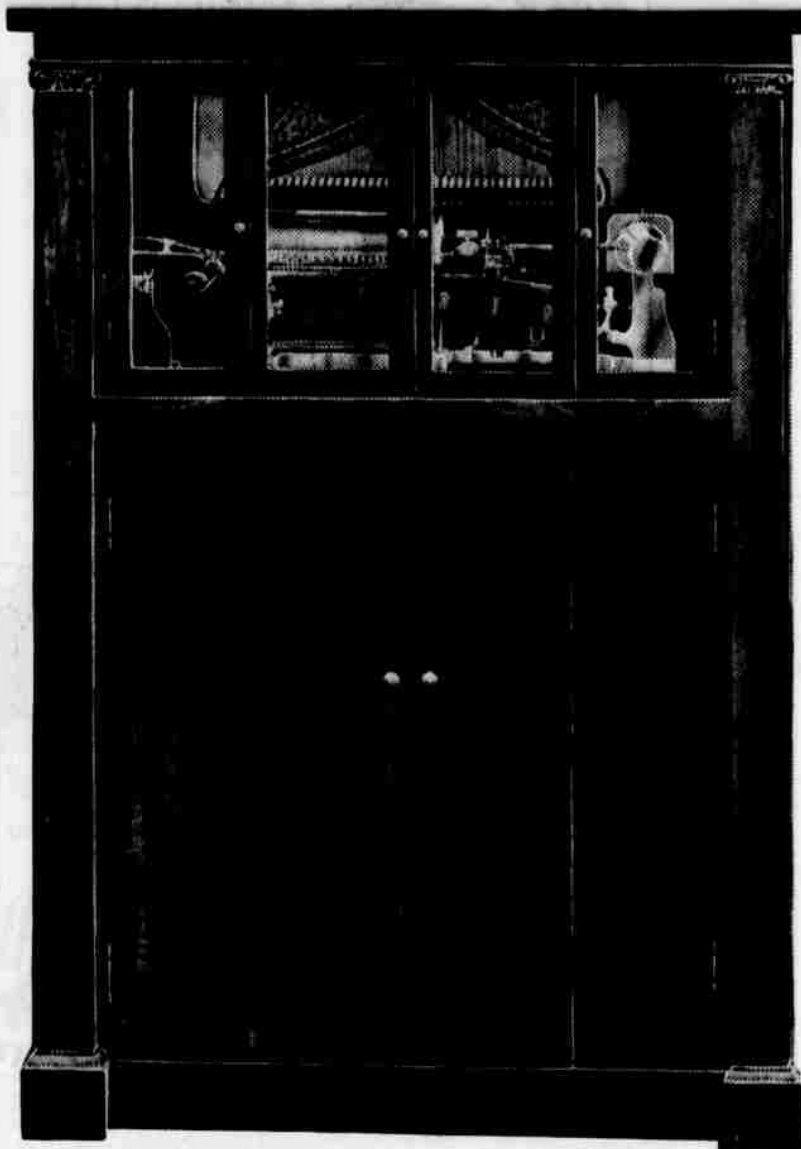


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George E. Chipman, the new First Assistant Corporation Counsel, is a lawyer of great ability.

Judge William Fennimore Cooper has made a magnificent record on the Superior Court bench. A man of courage and deep convictions, he has never shirked his duty at crucial moments, and the record shows it.

If Captain Percy Coffin of the City Civil Service Commission can stand for the free lunch destroying bums on the payrolls of his office, who do the heavy work for official organs, it will be hard on the public to stand Captain Percy Coffin much longer.

The spring primaries will be the most important in years. Attorney-General Lucey is said to have held that the Ward Committeemen must be elected in April. Those in a position to know say the election board will hold to the opinion of the Attorney-General.

The Deneen-West forces now control the Republican county organization. The Thompson-Lowden-Lundin forces will do battle with them for control in April as a preliminary to the struggle for the county office nominations as well as the governorship in September. The Deneen-West forces defeated the Mayor in the judicial election in June because of control of the county committee. There is another judicial ticket at stake next June. The county committeemen to be elected in April will nominate the judicial ticket in convention, as they did last time.

Seven Superior court judges are to be elected in June, the terms of Judges Burke, Gridley, O'Connor, McDonald, Cooper, Dever and Turner expiring. On the Democratic side of the fence the county committee in the last test was controlled by the Harrison-Sabbath men. The April primary battle on ward committeemen will give the Sullivan forces an opportunity to settle their claims upon it.

Do you want a speaker of prominence on some legislative subject for your club?

Then communicate with the Legislative Voters' League. President Clifford W. Barnes and Secretary Ralph Ellis have mobilized a regular rhetorical regiment. The speakers' list includes present and former members of the Legislature, civic workers, business and professional men.

"The ordinary citizen pays only slight attention to the State Legislature," said President Clifford W. Barnes. "If desired, our officers will work out for any organization a whole winter's course of lectures."

James S. Hopkins, the able lawyer, would make a good judge of the Superior court.

Joseph F. Haas, a follower of Charles S. Deneen, and John A. Logan, of Elgin, a Sullivan Democrat, were named members of the Deep Waterway commission by Governor Dunne. The post pays \$5,000 a year. In naming Mr. Haas, former county clerk, the state executive recognizes the Deneen-West forces and in Mr. Logan the Sullivan men are given recognition on one of the most important commissions in the state government. The Harrison-Sabbath men wanted the governor to appoint Joseph Kostner, former deputy commissioner of public works. There was a compromise and Kostner was made secretary of the commission.

The selection of Mr. Logan and Mr. Haas completes the membership of five on the commission. Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman got a member in Samuel Drew of Joliet, the other Republican on the board. M. M. Ste-

phens of East St. Louis is chairman of the commission and E. J. Kelly of Chicago is the fifth member.

The governor also reappointed the members of the present state art commission. They are: John C. Vaughn, Frederick Clay Bartlett, Leonard Cruelle and Martin Roche, all of Chicago.

Colin C. H. Fyke, the well known lawyer, is one of the best of authorities on municipal and corporation law.

Harry E. Kellogg, the popular proprietor of the Blue Ribbon Laundry at 513 North Clark street, is building up a fine business.

Judge Charles A. Williams has pleased his friends by his fine record on the Municipal bench.

Charles McHugh, the genial proprietor of the Lexington Hotel, is doing good work in improving conditions in the First ward.

Jacob Levy, popular and active Democrat, is talked of for alderman of the Twenty-first ward.

Robert F. Bickerdike, the highly respected lawyer, would make a good judge.

Joseph E. Bidwell, Jr., who made such a fine record as clerk of the Circuit Court, is being much talked of for the Republican nomination for that office next year. He certainly deserves it.

Louis Biegler would represent Chicago well in Congress.

Walter Clyde Jones made an honorable and useful record in the State Senate. He would make a good judge.

Sam'l T. Chase, the highly respected General Agent of the big solid and rich Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, has a host of friends among people in every line of business in Chicago.

Gustave Pollack, the popular general manager of the Stock Yards Packing Company, is winning wide fame as a philanthropist. As a helper of friendless boys he is doing great work in Chicago.

Judge Charles A. McDonald is making a splendid record on the Superior Court bench. He is a conscientious and fair-minded judge.

The election machinery of Chicago and Cook County is in safe hands with Judge Scully at the head of it.

William F. Quinlan, "the father of Edgewater," has a host of friends all over Chicago.

"Advertising Agencies" are so numerous in Chicago that they are no longer a joke. There are over 3,000 of this ilk doing business in this city. Most of them have absolutely no financial standing or any position in the community entitling them to respect. They blackmail newspapers and swindle business men. This traffic should be regulated by compelling all such agencies to pay a city license of \$1,000 a year. The good agencies would pay and the cheap skates and frauds would be driven out of business.

Everyone should appoint himself a committee of one to pull for the two big conventions in Chicago.

G. A. Schilling, the popular head of the Elks' building committee, is doing great work in paving the way

for a grand new Elks' building on Washington street.

Frank H. Jones is not only a democrat of national reputation, but a financier who is respected by everybody.

John D. Gallivan, the veteran letter carrier, is one of the most popular men in the service of Uncle Sam.

Oscar F. Mayer, the great packer, is very popular in politics and could have almost any office if he would take it.

Granville W. Browning would make a good member of the Circuit Court bench.

Mayor Thompson has a chance to employ a lot of good men as examiners at \$5 per day by firing the fellows now holding jobs illegally.

Chicago should have the two big conventions next year.

Pull for Chicago for the two big national conventions.

Judge Elbridge Haney is one of the brightest men at the bar, notwithstanding his long service on the bench and in the legal battle lines.

Alderman Henry Uptatel is one of the ablest and most forceful men in the city council.

George E. Brennan, the popular political leader, never wants anything for himself. He is always helping his friends.

William Pugh is one of the honored veterans of the U. S. postal service.

Charles H. Lamson of the R. F. Conway Co., is one of the best paying experts in the country.

Judge Edward Osgood Brown should be returned to the bench at the first opportunity.

William H. Baker made a good record on the Sanitary Board.

Addison street, one of the widest and longest east and west streets on the north and west sides, should be made a boulevard.

Hon. Fred J. Kern of Belleville is talked of for National Democratic Committeeman by the Lewis-Dunne-Harrison forces, backed by the Wilson administration.

Judge Charles A. Williams has never disappointed the public. His record is clear.

Judge Joseph H. Fitch has made a fine record on the Superior bench.

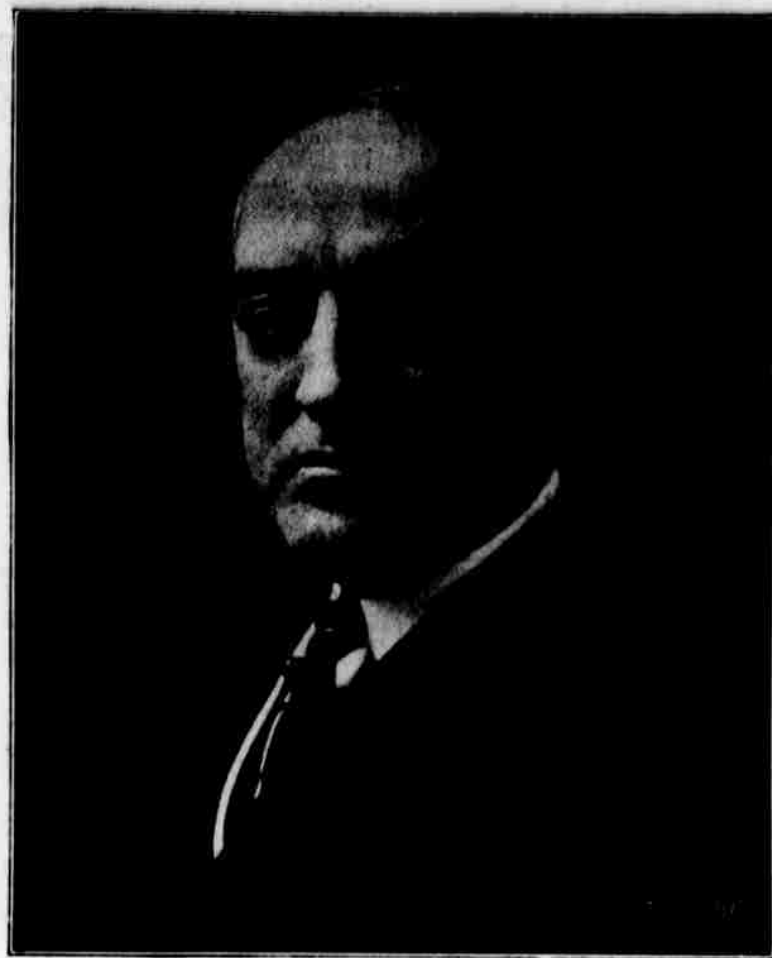
John R. Ford, the chief deputy collector of customs, is a most efficient aid to Collector McNeill.

Trustee Edward Kane of the Sanitary District is one of the hardest working officials in the state. He is always alive to the public's interest.

Patrick F. Haynes has always served the public well. He deserves a good office.

Q. J. Chott, the well known lawyer, who made a good record on the justice bench, would make a good Municipal Judge.

Wheeler & Co., the popular clothiers at 195 South State street, over Peacock's, are doing an immense busi-



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ness. Their credit system makes many friends and patrons for them.

William J. O'Brien, former senator and alderman, is making a wonderful success in his theatrical business.

One of the very best Aldermen in the City Council, is Edward F. Cullerton. He has been longest in the public service of any member of the City Council and his usefulness to the people has been demonstrated over and over again.

Joseph E. Flanagan is a Democratic leader of force and character.

Beach T. Van Housen, president of the famous Steuben County Wine Company, is one of the most popular merchants in Chicago. The great company, of which he is at the head, has won a well deserved reputation for its fair dealing and the superior quality of its goods.

John Mack Glenn, the able secretary of the Illinois Manufacturing Association, is one of Chicago's live wires.

The Michelob Club which meets at Ohio and Clark streets in Sauerman's splendid rooms is growing in membership and power every day.

The Traction Companies need not worry about that "seat for everybody" order. Lord & Thomas will see that the public does not do any kicking.

Chicago needs a new City Hall. The new one will probably be built in Union Park on the West Side.

The Central Barber Shop, at the southwest corner of Clark and Madison streets, is one of the finest barber shops in the United States. The proprietors, John F. Gattie and James H. Pye, are doing a big business. The establishment boasts twelve chairs and the finest baths in Chicago.

The Daily Press is receiving its well deserved reward for settling the street car strike and taking such good care of the Traction Company. The Traction Company is spending \$500,000 in advertising its many good qualities in the dailies. It is not advertising any of its bad qualities.

James F. Bowers, treasurer of the big Lyon & Healy music house, is one of the most popular Democrats in Illinois. He would never accept an office, however, although often importuned to do so.

Judge Harry T. Dolan has made a grand record as Municipal Judge.

Give us city-owned auto buses.

Edmund M. Allen, one of the best liked and most widely known men in Illinois, who made a splendid record as Warden of the State Penitentiary and as Mayor of Joliet, has accepted the presidency of the big D. A. Stuart & Co. Corporation. This company deals in high-grade lubricating oils and greases. Its Frost King Motor Oil will give pep to your motor.

The Beaver Electric Construction Company of 30 North La Salle street stands high among the contracting engineers of the country. The work of this company and its engineers is praised everywhere.

Hiram Coombs, the well known real estate expert, is highly respected by all who know him. He is a splendid judge of values and property entrusted to his care always shows good results.

Both as a judge and a citizen John R. Caverly is liked by everybody who knows him.

John T. Murray, the well known and popular lawyer, would make a good judge.

R. McDonald of Clinton and Adams streets is popular with printers, manufacturers and everybody else.

Adam Wolf is one of the most popular men in Chicago. You can't beat him.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.

Annual statement of the United States branch of the Royal Exchange Assurance of London, England, on the 31st day of December, 1914, made to the Insurance Superintendent of the State of Illinois, pursuant to law.

CAPITAL.
Amount of deposit capital... \$ 400,000.00
INCOME.
Premiums received during the year... \$1,909,721.29
Interest, rents and dividends... 105,918.43
From all other sources... 222.42
Received from home office... 183,322.74

DISBURSEMENTS.
Total income... \$2,199,684.90
Losses paid during the year... \$1,067,153.96
Expenses of adjustment and settlement of losses... 28,115.60
Commissions or brokerage... 403,895.91
Salaries, fees and all other charges of officers, clerks, agents and employees... 192,485.18
Rents... 10,563.05
Advertising, printing and stationery, postage, etc... 26,000.97
Legal expenses, furniture, fixtures and maps... 5,068.09

Underwriters' boards, fire department and salvage corps, fees, etc... 43,514.22
Inspection and surveys... 7,305.81
State insurance departments, taxes and fees... 59,778.96
Other license, fees and taxes... 9,566.50
All other disbursements... 2,654.78
Agents' balances charged off... 508.12
Remittance to home office... 302,115.33

Total disbursements... \$2,178,911.48
LEDGER ASSETS.
Book value of bonds and stocks... \$2,552,351.76
Cash in office and bank... 234,087.03
Agents' balances... 325,811.10

Total ledger assets... \$3,110,249.89
NON-LEDGER ASSETS.
Interest and rents due and accrued... \$ 34,025.38

Gross assets... \$3,144,275.27
DEDUCT ASSETS NOT ADMITTED.
Agents' balances charged off over three months due... 16,073.87

Book value of bonds and stocks over market value... 177,969.26
Special deposits to secure liabilities in... 2,656.97
Total admitted assets... \$2,947,575.17

LIABILITIES.
Losses adjusted and unpaid... \$ 3,000.00
Losses in process of adjustment or in suspense... 332,243.00
Losses related... 20,215.00

Total... \$366,458.00
Deduct re-insurance... 128,608.08

Net amount of unpaid losses... 237,849.92
Total unearned premiums... 1,565,487.74
Salaries, rents, bills, taxes, etc... 48,662.11
Commissions and brokerage... 8,267.05

Total liabilities... \$1,880,266.82
BUSINESS IN ILLINOIS.
Total risks taken during the year... \$16,032,312.00
Total premiums received during the year... 181,957.88
Total losses incurred during the year... 91,856.61

R. D. HARVEY,
U. S. Manager,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of January, 1915.
(Seal.) G. F. FORSTER,
Notary Public.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.

Annual statement of the United States branch of the Munich Re-Insurance Company of Munich, Bavaria, Germany, on the 31st day of December, 1914, made to the Insurance Superintendent of the State of Illinois, pursuant to law.

CAPITAL.
Amount of deposit capital... \$ 305,000.00
INCOME.
Premiums received during the year... \$6,177,478.63
Interest, rents and dividends... 280,446.31
Profit on sale of maturity of ledger assets... 808.12

Total income... \$6,458,728.06
DISBURSEMENTS.
Losses paid during the year... \$3,903,206.99
Commissions or brokerage... 1,762,591.95
Salaries, fees and all other charges of officers, clerks, agents and employees... 41,073.60
Rents... 6,331.23

Advertising, printing and stationery, postage, etc... 3,018.58
Legal expenses, furniture, fixtures and maps... 2,965.93
Underwriters' boards, fire department and salvage corps, fees, etc... 5,535.35
State insurance departments, taxes and fees... 6,730.65
Other license, fees and taxes... 3,219.40
Remittance to home office... 286,257.00

Total disbursements... \$6,020,928.57
LEDGER ASSETS.
Book value of bonds and stocks... \$6,271,909.98
Cash in office and bank... 1,044,967.94
Agents' balances... 72,412.11

Total ledger assets... \$7,389,290.03
NON-LEDGER ASSETS.
Interest and rents due and accrued... \$4,287.89

Gross assets... \$7,433,577.92
DEDUCT ASSETS NOT ADMITTED.
Overdue and accrued interest on bonds in default... 5,500.00
Book value of real estate, bonds and stocks over market value... 576,479.98

Total admitted assets... \$6,891,597.94
LIABILITIES.
Losses in process of adjustment or in suspense... \$ 950,688.00
Total unearned premiums... 4,425,233.71
Salaries, rents, bills, taxes, etc... 10,000.00
Commissions and brokerage... 20,000.00

Total liabilities... \$5,405,921.71
BUSINESS IN ILLINOIS.
Total risks taken during the year... \$77,770,674.31
Total premiums received during the year... 863,120.86
Total losses incurred during the year... 394,153.22

U. S. Manager,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of February, 1915.
(Seal.) DAVID WADE,
Notary Public.

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